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The reply filed on 4/30/2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In reply to the Requirement for Restriction / Election, mailed 3/31/2004, in particular to the requirement for election of species, applicant elected "the species of the repeated pattern being random or no exact sequence". Applicant has not elected a "species of repeated pattern of degenerate repeated triplet nucleotide" as required. Applicant must provide a specific nucleotide sequence as the elected species, from which a search of the prior may commence. It is noted that the structure of a species of a *product* that is a repeated pattern of triplet nucleotide can exist without a specified function or "purpose". Applicant is respectfully reminded that a list of all claims readable upon the elected species must accompany the reply to the Requirement for Restriction / Election. See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).